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Please find my attached FOIA request. Thank you.

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FOIA REQUEST - Fee benefit requested

Dear FOIA Officer:

Pursuant to the federal Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552, I request access to and copies of correspondence between Administrator Pruitt and an Alaskan named Robert Gillam, also known as Bob Gillam, to include emails, letters, phone logs and appointment records.

I would like to receive the information in electronic form on a CD or thumbdrive, but paper copies are also fine.

As a representative of the news media, it's my understanding that I am only required to pay for the direct cost of duplication after the first 100 pages. This information is being sought on behalf of Alaska Public Media for news stories that will be available, free of cost, to the general public.

If my request is denied in whole or part, I ask that you justify all deletions by reference to specific exemptions of the act. I will also expect you to release all segregable portions of otherwise exempt material. I, of course, reserve the right to appeal your decision to withhold any information or to deny a waiver of fees.

I would appreciate your communicating with me by email or telephone, rather than by mail.

Please provide expedited processing of this request which concerns a matter of urgency. As a news reporter, I am primarily engaged in disseminating information. The public has an urgent need for information about government decision-making concerning the proposed Pebble Mine in southwest Alaska. Government transparency is important in order for citizens to have faith in the decisions about a project that could greatly alter the economy of Alaska and/or damage a prized natural resource. I certify that my statements concerning the need for expedited processing are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

I look forward to your determination regarding my request for expedited processing within 10 calendar days, as the statute requires. Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

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